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PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessels.	Tons	H. P.	Captains.	TUESDAY 1885.
Malwa	3069	500	G. W. Atkinson	18th Aug.
Carthage ..	5011	1000	G. N. Hector	25th "
Gwalior ..	2735	5 0	P. Harris	1st Sept.
Peramatta	3759	900	W. D. Anderson	8th "
Calcutta	3753	500	T. Fairlough	15th "
				Friday.
Poona....	3200	600	A. Symons	25th Sept.
Nizam	2736	500	W. J. Webber	2nd Oct.
Valetta	4928	1000	J. Orman	9th "
Hydaspes .	2931	550	G. Scrivener	16th "
Tasmania..	4188	800	G. G. Fernie	23rd "

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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	3877	400	W. Kaster	21st Aug.
[illegible]	3500	700	W. Barratt	4th Sept.
[illegible]	3877	400	L. Reeves	18th "
[illegible]	3125	400	H. G. Murray	2nd Oct.
[illegible]	3877	400	E. Stewart	16th "

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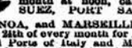

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

MONDAY EVENING, AUGUST 17.

All possible anxiety regarding a deficient rainfall has been set at rest by the downpour of the past three or four days. A fall of about 20 inches has been registered in Bombay during the week, and it has extended more or less throughout the presidency, so that the reports from all quarters respecting the growing crops are now most encouraging. We are accordingly warranted in anticipating better markets for imports as the season goes on, as also the basis for a good export trade eventually, but hopeful as the future thus appears the dulness of the present remains unaltered. The monsoon of course is always a dull time under any circumstances, and the tendency that way is augmented just now by the absence of encouragement from the home markets, which so far as Bombay produce is concerned, are singularly devoid of activity. Cotton is almost a dead letter in the way of exports for the time being, Wheat meets but a slow enquiry and of Seeds, supplies are now too small to admit of any extent of business being done. Money continues very easy and Sterling Exchange is weaker which is in favor of shippers, as also are Freights. For Liverpool the quotation is 17s. 6d., and for Continental por 20s. per ton, but even at these figures the tendency of the market is downward. Government Paper is steady, and shares latterly have exhibited a stronger tone.

Money.—The last return of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending on Saturday shows the following changes :—

Public Deposits at H. O.	Inc.	Rs.	9,84,333
Do. do. branches	Dec.	,,	4,05,262
Other Deposits	Dec.	,,	33,313
Government Securities	Dec.	,,	1,33,435
Loans	Dec.	,,	6,56,315
Bills Discounted	Dec.	,,	46,340
Cash with other Banks	Dec.	,,	2,02,257
Cash and Currency Notes	Inc.	,,	16,08,961

These movements scarcely make up the falling off which took place last week, but with the Cash standing at 63 per cent. of the liabilities to the public the position of the bank is more than sufficiently strong. In rates of discount and interest no alteration has occurred. The Bank's minimum for loans secured by Government Paper is 4 per cent., outside 2 per cent. per annum is not easily obtained by lenders as there is almost no demand at the moment for accommodation.

Exchange.—With Silver declining in London, very few private bills offering here and a moderate demand for homeward remittance, the tendency of sterling has been towards weakness since last mail left. Last Monday demand Bank Bills stood at 1s. 6d. 13-16, and 3 months' Credits at 1s. 7d. per rupee, but although the tone was week these rates were maintained over mail day. On Wednesday, however, the banks lowered their buying rates 1-32d., and on Thursday, when it transpired that the biddings for Council drafts in London on the previous day had only resulted in 1s. 6 13-16d. being obtained for Rs. 5,40,000, bank paper was reduced to the same extent. On Friday rates declined 1-32d. all round, and Credits were 1-32d. easier on Saturday and again to-day, making closing quotations as follows :—

Bank Bills on demand			1s. 6 23-32d.
Do.	Telegraphic Transfer		1s. 6 11-16d.
Do.	3 months' sight		1s. 6 13-16d.
Do.	4	,,	1s. 6 27-32d.
Do.	6	,,	1s. 6 29-32d.
Credits	3	,,	1s. 6¾d.
Do.	6	,,	1s. 7 1-32d.
Documents	3	,,	1s. 6 29-32d.
Do.	6	,,	1s. 7 1-16d.
Francs	3	,,	2·09
Do.	6	,,	2·09¼

At these figures the indications of the market are not strong. With exports extremely dull and an inclination to greater activity in imports the local influences are against the rupee, but the most adverse power at the moment is Silver. The quotation in London has declined from 49 3-16d. to 49d. per oz. in face of considerable purchases for this side—the shipments advised by Reuter during the week being £200,000—and this is interpreted as a proof that holders of the metal take an unfavorable view of the future. Nor is it easy, amongst the reports we are now receiving of the Conference which has lately taken place at Paris, and what is likely to be done in connection with the Bland Bill in America, to discover anything on which to base a cheerful estimate of the outlook. The best that can be said is that in event of the Bland Bill being repealed some portion of the effect has possible already been discounted, whilst if action in America be deferred even for a year only the value of the rupee will undergo at least a temporary recovery.

Government Paper.—There has been no great amount of excitement in paper this week, but the tone throughout has been very steady, and prices on the average have gone in favor of holders especially for future delivery. A week ago Fours stood at Rs. 99¾ [illegible] Rs. 98¼ Tuesday there was an improvement of 1-16d. and on Thursday ready again advanced 1-16d. forward ½d. Rates still tended upwards on Friday and Saturday although no actual rise was quoted, but to-day business was done for cash at an advance of 3-16d. and for delivery at ½ higher making the closing prices Rs. 98¾ and 98⅝ respectively, at which the market closes firm. Fours-and-a-half have remained nominally at par throughout the week, nor do we quote any improvement on that to-day.

Shares.—Seasonable rains and favourable advices regarding local yarns from China have exercised an improving influence on the market for *Spinning and Weaving Mill Shares* which are all higher. The rise has been Rs. 95 in Gordon, Rs. 75 in Madras-United, Rs. 55 in Hindustan, and Khandeish, Rs. 45 in Bombay-United, Oriental and Queen, Rs. 40 in City, and Indian Manufacturing, Rs. 35 in Dhuu, Mazagon, and Framjee Petit, Rs. 27½ in Jewraz Balloo, Rs. 25 in Alliance Connaught, Hydrabad, and Ripon, Rs. 20 in Coorla, James Greaves, and Khutao Mackonjee, Rs. 10 in Colaba, and Rs. 5 in most other companies. In *Press* companies the tendency has also been upward. There has been an advance of Rs. 20 in Albert of Kurrachee and Prince of Wales, Rs. 17½ in Bombay and Mofussil, and Rs. 2½ in Mercantile and New Indian, *Banks* have made no move this week in actual quotations although they necessarily partake in the general firmness. Bank of Bombays are in request at Rs. 727½, Nationals are wanted at Rs. 103. In the *Miscellaneous* list the changes are insignificant. Port Canninga have improved Rs. 15. Business has been done in Alcock, Ashdown & Co., Ld., at Rs. 3 premium, and in Bombay Flour Mills at Rs. 660 per share.

IMPORTS.

Piece Goods.—The heavy rains of the past few days have rather curtailed the enquiry for ready goods of which the clearances from the bazaar are only estimated at about 2,500 packages at former prices. For future shipment however the enquiry shows decided signs of improvement, and but for the firmness in Manchester and the adverse course of Exchange the transactions would have been heavy. As it is they have been considerable in the present and promise to become larger as the season developes, the chief consuming markets of the interior being lightly supplied whilst stocks here are down to about [illegible] level.

Twist.—For impor[illegible] been fair but there is [illegible] to note. *Local Yarns* h[illegible] an active demand [illegible] per lb., mainly for China whence the tele[illegible]ic accounts latterly have been decidedly encouraging. Current prices for local Spinnings to-day are :—

Twist	No.	10s	As. 4 15-16	to 5⅜
,, and Water	,,	20s	5¾	to 6¼
,, ,,	,,	24s	6 3-16	to 6¾
,, ,,	,,	30s	6¾	to 7⅛

Metals.—*Copper* has not been in active request but with declining exchange and higher freights outward, sellers have advanced their rates slightly. Braziers we now quote at Rs. 35 to Rs. 35½ per cwt. For *Yellow Metal* the enquiry is a trifle better if anything and values are as. 4 per cwt. higher say Rs. 29½ for Braziers. *Iron* meets a somewhat languid sale and Swedish Bars are partially Re. 1 per candy lower.

Coal.—No business to arrive has transpired during the week, and quotations are nominally unchanged at Rs. 15 alongside for both Cardiff and West Hartley.

EXPORTS.

Cotton.—The telegraphic advices from Liverpool were firm in the early part of the week but easier again latterly. They have however had no visible effect here as our market for the staple so far as exports go has been perfectly stagnant. A few small purchases of Westerns have been reported, but of that growth there has been no crop this season to speak of, and in other qualities the wants of the local mills maintain prices at a level quite beyond the ideas of home buyers. Our quotations are practically unchanged on the week, and we have not heard of anything having been done in New Crops for future delivery yet on European account. There would be sellers, especially of Bengals regarding which crop reports are very encouraging, but it does not seem to be a question of price so much as a total absence of demand from Europe which is retarding business.

From the Chamber of Commerce telegraphic summary of the district crop and weather reports published to-day it will be observed that with the exception of Kattiwar enough rain for the present has fallen everywhere and fine weather is generally wanted. In all probability the heavy rainfall of the past few days will be followed by an interval of fine weather, but in any case a slight excess of moisture just now will not do much harm and the position of the crop may therefore be regarded as exceptionally promising.

Place.	Rainfall past 5 days.	Rainfall to-date.	Average Normal Rainfall.	Weather.
	In.	In.	In.	
Agra	·18	18·72	25·66	Looks like rain.
Delhi	1·91	22·88	26·92	Rain general over district.
Cawnpore	..	25·4	29·19	Cloudy but no rain. Looks like clearing up.
Nagpore	2·25	36	44·51	Rain general over district.
Amraoti	·87	25·87	32·09	Showery.
Khangaum	·39	13·53	28·55	Looks like rain.
Barsi	1	11·25	23·03	Showery.
Bellary	·16	8·24	17·64	Looks like clearing up.
Hubli	1·47	11·52	26·45	Showery.
Dhulia	3·7	7 66	20·97	Has every appearance of a continued fall.
Julgaon	4·23	16·5	35·38	Do.
Broach	7·92	24·19	29·62	Do.
Wadwan	3·93	16·21	18·13	Has every appearance of a continued fall. Sufficient rain fallen generally.
Veramgaum	·55	22·16	31·89	Cloudy but no rain.
Dhollera	..	13·38	32·36	Do.
Bhownuggar	1·41	17·34	36·75	Rain general over district.

CROP REPORTS.

Agra—Cotton plants want fine weather.
Delhi—Cotton plants want fine weather.
Cawnpore—Cotton plants want fine weather.
Nagpore—Crops good.
Amraoti—Cotton plants could scarcely look better. Food grains doing well.
Khangaum—Cotton plants flourishing and in flower.
Barsi—Cotton plants flourishing.
Hubli—Where sown food grains doing well. Almost no rain in Eastern and Northern districts.
*Dhulia—Cotton plants want fine weather.
*Julgaon—Cotton plants want fine weather. Food grains doing well.
Broach—Cotton plants look well, but fine weather wanted for weeding.
Wadwan—Cotton plants flourishing.
Veramgaum—Cotton sowing making good progress.
Dholleera—Cotton sowing making good progress.
Bhownuggar—Crop prospects generally good.

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparisons with the two previous years :—

	1885.	1884.	1883.
Receipts.			
For the week B	1,591	4,954	3,636
Since 1st January B	975,986	1,511,630	1,491,532
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week B	3,321	1,067	4,115
Since 1st January B	668,919	1,112,573	1,156,126
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the week B	312	738	2,836
Since 1st January B	52,398	83,672	67,599

The following are to-day's quotations for fullpressed Cotton with the equivalents in Sterling, Cost and Freight to Liverpool, via Canal, without commission :—

		Per Candy.	per lb. C. & F.
Omra, Fully Good	Ready	Rs. 198	= 4 11-16d.
Do. Good	do.	193	= 4 19-32d.
Do. F. G. F.	do.	185	= 4 13-32d.
Julgaum, Good	do.	188	= 4 15-32d.
Do. F. G. F.	do.	180	= 4 9-32d.
Broach, Good	do. (Nominal)	210	= 4 31-32d.
Dholiera, Fine	do. (None)	..	..
Do. Fully Good	do.	200	= 4¼d.
Do. Good	do.	195	= 4⅛d.
Ginned Dharwar, Good	do. (Nominal)	202	= 4 25-32d.
Westerns, Good	do.	194	= 4 19-32d.
Do. F. G. F.	do.	189	= 4¼d.

Wheat.—Owing to favorable advices from Liverpool, a considerable demand for Wheat prevailed for the first day or two of the week under review and prices advanced As 8 to As. 12 per candy, contracts for Ekdain having been made as high as Rs. 27 per candy. Latterly, however, the home telegrams have been weaker again, and although supplies are comparatively light the greater portion of the previous rise has been lost. We now quote No. 1 Soft White Rs. 26 to Rs. 26½, Jubbulpore Rs. 24½ to ¾, Red Pessy Rs. 24, Soft Red Ahmedabad Rs. 24½, Laskari Rs. 21½ to Rs. 22, Hard Red Khatha Rs. 21 to Rs. 21½ per candy. No. 1 Club Delhi is offering at Rs. 3-11, Red at Rs. 3-7 per cwt. railway terms.

Seeds.—*Linseed* is scarce and in request to complete shipments. The quoted price is Rs. 6-5 to Rs. 6 6 per cwt. *Rapeseed* is in poor demand, and we still quote Yellow Guzerat Rs. 6, Red Cawnpore Rs. 4-13½ to Rs. 4-14 per cwt. *Gingelly* is nominally quoted at Rs. 36½ to Rs. 40 per candy, but there are no supplies.

The comparative imports of wheat and seeds are as follows :—

		1885.	1884.	1883.
Wheat—For the week	cwt.	163,188	194,640	238,038
,, Since 1st Jan.	,,	7,267,127	5,739,389	7,687,676
Linseed—For the week	,,	23,381	21,950	61,361
,, Since 1st Jan.	,,	1,322,701	3,500,691	3,579,709
Rapeseed—For the week	,,	13,515	5,472	...
,, Since 1st Jan.	,,	1,390,712	930,931	...
Gingelly—For the week	,,	25	6·8	535
,, Since 1st Jan.	,,	995,857	786,355	930,899

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash. Rate.
		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Indian Banks.					
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	5p.ct.	727½
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	10 do.	820xd
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	610
Exchange Banks.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	all	6 do.	120
Comm. Bank. Bengal, B. Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ do.	458
National Bank of India	37,332	£ 250		do.	103

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	200	1,250	1,250	..	900
Akola Press Co.	85	500	500	Rs. 50	410
Albert Ginning Co.	100	500	500	Rs. 45	430
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	220	1,100	1,100	Rs. 100	1,300
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	750	400	400	Rs. 2	290
Ariary	630	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	540
Brodie Cawnpore P. Co., Ld.	500	200	20	..	160
Bombay Cotton Press	1,040	125	125	4¼	212½
Colaba Press Co.	50	1 880	1,880	Rs. 600	750
Dhollera P. & G. Co.	5 0	300	300	12	140
East India Press Co.	700	1,000	1,000	Rs. 130	1,175
Fort Press Co.	150	8,500	8,500	400	2,350
French Press Co.	300	500	500	Rs. 45	620
Harvey & Sahapathy Co., Ld.	450	500	500	..	610
Khamgaum Cotton Press Co.	240	500	500	Rs. 40	450
Manmar Manfg. Co	1,000	250	250	Rs. 40	265
Mercantile Press	1,500	125	125	Rs. 7½	1311
Mofussil Co.	2,125	400	400	Rs. 30	959
New Berar Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,250	500	500	Rs. 45	510
New Broach Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,400	100	500	Rs. 40	3
New Indian Press	4,000	125	125	Rs. 10	2½
Prince of W. Press	600	500	100	10	323
Sabapathy Press Co., Ld., (Bellary.)	500	500	500	—	500
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	750	Rs. 50	750
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	1,000	Rs. 90	1,250
Semoon Press Co.	300	500	500	25	515
Volkart Press Co.	450	1,000	1,000	Rs. 60	660

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G. I. P. R. 5 per cent. Stock	..	£100	.. ..	£137x
B. B. & C. I. R. Guaranteed 5 per cent.	..	£100	.. ..	£114x

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs. 12-14-6
Carolas	,, 235
Mexican Dollars	,, 223
Five-Franc Pieces	,, 240
Bar Silver, 17½ betterness	,, 106-11
Gold Leaf	,, 20-5
Bar Gold, 10 oz. English, 100 touch	,, 20-8-6
Australian Gold, 100 touch	,, 20-7
Bombay Bar Gold, 100 touch	,, 20-5
Pekin Gold Bars	,, 20

BANK OF BOMBAY.

Statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 15th August, as compared with the statement of the 8th August :—

Liabilities.		
Proprietors' Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund, invested in Govt. and other authorized Securities	25,00,000	25,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	36,10,518	45,94,851
do. at Branches	26,99,700	22,94,438
Private Deposits	2,12,37,357	2,12,80,044
Post Bills	70,836	9,505
Cash Credits undrawn	10,88,334	11,31,337
	4,12,06,745	4,17,37,175
Assets.		
Govt. & otherauthorizedSecurities	40,74,792	39,41,35
Cash Credits, on Security of Govt. Paper, Bullion, and Merchandise	26,08,670	25,67,965
Loans, on Security of do	21,39,787	14,83,473
Current Accounts, overdrawn	2,017	1,590
Bills Discounted and purchased	1,56,65,540	1,56,19,200
Stamps	22,647	22,684
Dead Stock Rs. 5,73,086		
Amt. applied in reduction.. 2,65,000	3,07,145	3,08,086
Cash Balances with Correspondents	12,59,657	10,57,400
Cash and Currency Notes	1,51,35,460	1,67,35,421
	4,12,06,745	4,17,37,175

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The steam-ship Rochampton, 1,300 tons, Captain R. Sanderson, sails to-day for Aden and Jedda with a general cargo and 850 pilgrims.

The B. I. S. N Co.'s steam-ship Medusa, 1,947 tons, Captain J. P. Naller, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta (1st inst) with a general cargo and 4 deck passengers.

The steam-ship Victoria, 1,845 tons, Captain S. Elvate, arrived in harbour yesterday from Glasgow, 17th July, with a general cargo and the following passengers :—From Port Said.—Mr. Abraham Shafman, Rosa Shafman and Sofia Donasco. She is consigned to Messrs. Sir Charles Forbes and Co.

The Italian mail steam-ship China, 3,044 tons, Captain G. Dodero, arrived in harbour yesterday from Marseilles (21st July) with a general cargo and the following passengers :—From Genoa.—Mr D Angelo and family, Mr Gregory and Signora, Mr Berta Elman. From Aden—Abdul Latif and 2 friends, Mr Jessua Assea, Mr. Francisco Langer, Mr Carla Calciase, Mahomedally and 4 friends, Ally Mahomed, Ahmed Alhama and S Abdulla.

ARRIVALS.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander	From
17	Victory (s)	Elvate	Glasgow, July 17.
	China (s)	Dodero	Marseilles, July 21.
	Medusa (s)	Nailer	Calcutta, Aug. 1.
	Teheran (s)	Nantes	London, July 22.

DEPARTURES.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
17	Columbian (s)	Baldwin	Jeddah.
	Annie Stafford	Edgett	Calcutta.

The steam-ship Rochampton, Sanderson, obtained her port-clearance yesterday.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—Steamer Agra, for Calcutta.
Niderland en Oranje, for Jeddah.

DAILY IMPORTS.—August 17.

From Glasgow.

Clan Munroe s—16 cases whisky, Manockji Merwanji.
Clan Maclean s—5 cases whisky, Bodger Warburton & Co.

From London.

Siam s—1 hogshead brandy, Pestonji Cowasji Shroff.
Nizam s—6 cases brandy, Atmaram Rungildass.
Verona s—20 cases claret, Bodger Warburton and Co.
Khedive s—2 cases hock, Bodger Warburton and Co.
Carthage s—5 cases champagne, Cutler Palmer and Co.

From Hull.

Sorrento s—30 drums boiled linseed oil, Abdul Hussen Heptoola; 25 cases matches, Beli Brandenburg and Co; 25 cases matches, Naboobhoy Mahomedally; 27 packages printing papers, S A S Dawood.

From Trieste.

Gwalior s—2 cases glassware, A Blascheck and Co.

From New York.

Annie Stafford—6,475 cases kerosine oil, Tharia Topen.

From Antwerp.

Sorrento s—551 cases window glass and 22 cases sheet glass, H Lalmea; 56 packages writing paper and 40 packages straw board, S A S Dawood; 26 cases glassware, Sultiman Mahomed Cassem; 20 packages glassware, Gangjee Poonjee; 14 packages glassware, Fiazali Possa; 50 kegs iron wire nails, Abdul Hussen Mulla Peerbhoy; 19 packages glassware, Goolam Hussen Cullian.

DAILY EXPORTS.—August 17.

For Liverpool.

Clan Munroe s—5,075½ cwts wheat, Lang Moir and Co; 120 cwts wheat, Willia Bell; 5 bales gunny rags, J Parshotum.
Nedjid s—100 cwts wheat, L Poonsee.

For London.

Kangra s—123 cwts horns, B Sajan; 925 lbs nutmegs and 40 cwts Colom o roots, T Purshotum; 30 cwts horns, Lalljibhoy.
Malwa s—1,200 cwts linseed, Lang, Moir and Co; 31 bales skins, S Molcobhoy; 23 bales skins Jafferbhoy Purdhan; 182 lbs ivory, Girdhenlal; 74 cwts ivory, M Soonar; 3 cwts ivory, Purshotum Khoosal; 6 boxes silver coins (Rs. 49,000), the National Bank of India; 1 box silver coins (Rs 2,000), the Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris.

For Antwerp.

Malwa s—309 bales cotton, Harvey and Co.

For Hull.

Sorrento s—1,346 cwts myrabollams, D Luckmidass.

For Marseilles.

Malwa s—3 boxes silver coins, the Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris.

For Hongkong.

Zambesi s—150 bales cotton, Hajee Esac Ellias; 100 bales cotton, C Ebrahim; 50 bales twist, the Anglo Indian S and Manufg Co; 54 bales twist, D Sassoon; 150 bales twist, Cursetjee Bomonjee; 100 bales twist, H A Esmail; 96 bales cotton, R S Woonwalla; 16 bales twist, M Harockchund; 100 bales twist, Sassoon J David.

For Calcutta.

Agra s—451 bales cotton, Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

Bombay, August 16.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·569
Temperature of the Air	80·3
Wet Bulb Thermometer	77·1
Dew Point	76·5
Relative humidity of Air	882
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded—3)	7·6
Maximum temperature of air (read at 6 p.m.)	83·9
Minimum do. do. (read at 6 a.m.)	75·6
General Direction of Wind	...WNW., W, WSW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours	566
Fall of Rain	0·3
Total fall during month	19·39
,, year	49·33
Additional fall of rain up to 10 a.m. of 17th	0·43

* From midnight to midnight.

HIGH COURT—August 18.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bayley.)

For the examination of Vadilal Sukulchund.

314-79—Ardesir and H—The New Fleming S and W Co vs Kessowjee Naik and others—Jefferson, B and D, J C Cama and in person.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

109-81—Ardesir and H—Dossbhoy Hormusjee Patell, vs Bai Shamavahoo and another—M H Khan—Part heard.
17-82—Bomonji and H—Amature Rahiman Beebee vs Mahomed Rozan and another—Payne G and S.
08-84—In person (a pauper)—Siwoo Krishna vs Jethabhara and others—Khunderao M.
226-84—Payne G and S—Essoolally Ebrahimji and others vs Cadurbhoy Currimbhoy and others—Nanu and H, and W and Ghandy.
121-83—Payne G and S—Killibhoy Suchoobhoy and another vs Sajunbhoy Datoobhoy and others—Advocate and H.
232-82—J C Cama—Haji Mahomed bin Haji Ahmed vs Aishabai and others—Payne G and S.
215-81—Payne, G and S—Hezaya Edulice Soonawala vs Pestonjee Dinshaw—Khunderao M.
86-84—Macfarlane and E—Goculdas Deojee vs Nensookdas Hunsraj and another—Honeyman and H.
261-84—M M Munshi—Huriprasad Suntookram vs David Watson—Payne G and S.
3-83—Little S F and N—Jokerda Poonsey and another vs The steam-ship "Savitri"—Chalk and W.—(Admiralty suit.)
307-81—Little S F and N—Sha Welljee Natha vs Lalljee Kesowjee and another—Macfarlane and E.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pinhey.)

Summary Suit.

287-85—Chalk and W—Daniel Sala vs Heerji Ardaseir Dady and another.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Short Causes.

130-85—Macfarlane and E—Koreji Kessowji and others vs Visram Vessonji and others—Bomonji and H.
146-85—Macfarlane and E—Yenkoo Balloo vs Dewji Elapa—H K R Cama.
265-85—Chalk and W—Sadashow Gambhirchund vs Gopikis-on Sadulsing and another.
269-85—Bomonji and H—Merwanji Cowasji Motishaw vs Khakee Adut and others.
[illegible]—Joothai and others.

Long Causes.

150-84—Hore, C and B—Guja Prema and others, vs Luxmibai and another—Crawford and B, and Tyabjee and C—Part heard.
372-81—Hore, C and B—Esmail Haji Oosman, vs Haji Mahomed Haji Oosman—Jefferson, B and D, and Macfarlane and E.
179-81—Chalk and W—Panachund Mooljee and others, vs Dewsey Malloo and others—Hore, C and B.
195-81—Crawford and B—Gemmina Hamber, vs Narron Mooljee—J C Cama.
373-82—Macfarlane and E—Goculdas Dewjee, vs Hormusjee Nusserwanjee Tariwala and another—J C Cama.
209-85—Little, S F and N—L A Wallace and others, vs. Dulputbhoy Bhoojoobhoy—Hore, C and B.
80-85—Payne, G and S—Hurnath Roopaji and others, vs Mahomed Haji Ally and others—Hore, C and B.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Scott.)

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

337-83—Chalk and W—Ratl Luckmipatsing Doogar Bahadoor vs John Gordon and another.
298-85—Pestonjee Shavuksha Dhunjeebhoy vs Tremulee Vellijee—Bicknell and K.
302-85—Ardaseer and H—Rutionjee Dinshaw vs Jerbai and others—Nanu and H.
305-85—M M Munshi—Jora Puna and others vs Willoughby Le Geyt—E Wilkin.
317-85—Mirza H K—Krishna Ruckmajee vs Anundrao Narayen and others—Tyabjee and D.

Long Causes.

265-84—Hore, C and B—C Douglas and others, vs Dayabhai Cullianji and others—Little, S. F. and N. Part heard.
156-85—Hore, C and B—Sir Albert David Sassoon and others, vs Shaik Moosa Abdool Latiff and others—Macfarlane and E.
122-80—Ardaseer and H—The New Alexandra S and W Co, vs Vadilal Sakurchund and others—Jefferson, B and D.
50-81—Jefferson, B and D—Ramji Sittaba vs Rahimtoola Bhaijibhai—Macfarlane and E.
150-85—Bakrishna and B—(For pauper)—Bhasker Mahadoo, vs Gungabai—Shamrao P.
206-85—Craigie, T and O—James Bevis and others, vs. Khetsey Kheasey and others—Macfarlane and E.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—August 17.

Cooper, Lieut, BI R A, on leave, from Jutop.
Hutchinson, Capt, B S C, on duty, from Umballa.
Jenner, Lieut., BI 9th Lancers, on leave, from Umballa.
Badcock, Col, BI Commsy-Genl, on furl, from Rawal Pindi.
Eustace, Capt, BI R H A, on leave, from Umballa.
Heart, Lieut-Col, Bo, Comdt, Malwa Bhil Corps, on from Sirdapore.
[illegible] Major, Md D A Q G, on leave, from [illegible].
Dobie, Surg-Major, Md 4th Md Corps, on leave, from Kamptee.

DEPARTURES.—August 15.

Phelps, Col, Bo Comy Genl, on duty, to Poona.

August 16.

Close, Surg-Major Bo, M S, on leave, to Poona.
Pinhey, Lt, Bo 3rd Lt Cavy, on duty, to Neemuch.

August 17.

Chichester, Lt, Bo, 2nd North Staff Regt, on duty, to Poona.
Geldard, Lt, Bo 2nd North Staff Regt, on leave, to Poona.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Lt.-Col. the Hon. L. H. Bayley, Comdt., B. V. R. C.

Bombay, August 18.

There will be drill in the Town Hall on Wednesday next, the 19th inst., at 9 p.m. All recruits are particularly requested to attend.

The range at Colaba is available for practice for the Bombay Volunteer Rifle Corps on Wednesday next, the 19th inst., from 4 p.m. till dark. Members must notify their intention not later than 1 p.m. on the day they wish to fire to allow of arrangements being made for markers, &c.

Vol. F. Fido having joined is taken on the strength of the corps from this date and posted to D. Company.

By order,
A. W. PRIOR, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

MADRAS GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Fort St. George Gazette*, August 14.)

The services of First-class Asst Apothecary T Kiddle are placed at the disposal of the Govt of India in the Home Dept.

Mr R H Shipley, Asst to the Colr and Dist Magte of Tanjore, to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories subject to the Govt of Fort St. George.

Mr J H Dennison, Port Officer, Negapatam, privilege leave for three months, from or after the 15th Aug 1885.

Rev W M S Babington, Chaplain, Vellore, furlough to Europe for two years.

Capt W H Forbes Taylor, R A, to be Lay Trustee of St. Mary's Church, Fort St. George, in the place of Major R M Clerk, who has left the station on leave

Col C J Stuart, Depy Director, Rev Settlement, No. III Party, privilege leave for one month, from date of availing himself of the same.

Mr F W Ditmas, sub. pro tem. Assist Commr of Salt Rev, is confirmed as Asst Commr of Salt Rev, Fourth Grade, with effect from 11th Aug 1885.

Mr. E H P. Salmon, Asst Comr of Salt Rev, is posted to the Calicut Divn.

Mr C V Dalrymple Hay, Insp'r in the Salt Dept, is appointed to act as Asst Commr of Salt Rev and is posted to the Arcot Divn.

Mr D G Hatchell to act as Probationary Asst Supdt, Madras Survey, during the absence of Mr G McHutchin on sick leave, or until further orders, vice Mr G P Greeue, promoted.

Mr G P Greene, Act Probationary Asst Supdt No. II Rev Survey, is transferred from No. II Party.

Mr G E Manson, Asst Engr, First Grade, is granted furlough for two years, from 9th November 1885.

Mr C Powell, Iaspr in the Salt Dept, is granted privilege leave for one month with effect from the date of his availing himself of it.

Mr W G McMurray is posted to the charge of the Mangalore Circle, in addition to the Khundapur Circle, during the absence of Mr C Powell on leave or until further orders.

Military Department.

Depy Asst Comy and Hony Lieut Ed Hickey, Ord Dept, is granted leave in India, for six months, under the Regulations of 1875.

Sub Condr J Smith, P W Dept, is transferred to the Retired Pension List on £72 per annum, with effect from the 16th Aug 1885.

The following promotions are made, subject to H M's approval :—

First-class Barrack Serjt P O'Connor is promoted to the rank of Sub-Condr. Dated 14th Aug. 1885.

To be Majors.—Capt D Robertson and Capt W G C Johnstone. Dated 8th Aug 1885.

The services of Surg C M Thompson, MB, are placed at the disposal of the Public Dept.

The Right Hon'ble the Govr-Genl in Council has been pleased to sanction the formation of a Vol Corps in the Dist of Malabar, to be designated. "The Malabar Vol Rifle Corps."

Malabar Vol Rifle Corps, Cochin Company, Mr. J Grieve to be Capt, Mr F Noone to be Lieut, Mr. A. C. Cavendish to be Lieut., South Ind Railway Vol Rifle Corps, Mr. E L F Cavendish to be Lieut vice Lieut A S J Warren-Jones, resigned.

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CARTRIDGES FOR MANDALAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, AUG. 17.

Seven cases shipped from Calcutta for Mandalay as macaroni were seized on Saturday at Kemmendine. On being opened they were found to contain cartridges. The importer is an Italian.

THEEBAW'S NEW STEAMER.

King Theebaw's new steamer recently purchased from the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company, has been placed in charge of Johannes, an Armenian engineer. It is to be sent on a special mission from the Queen to purchase goods at Rangoon for offerings at the Buddhist feast at the conclusion of the Burmese Lent in October.

THE SITUATION AT BHAMO.

The Bhamo Governor reports that all is quiet there, but the traders consider the place is at the mercy of the Chinese and Kachin freebooters, and the people are in constant alarm lest these should repeat their attack of last year.

CALCUTTA NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, AUG. 17.

Mr. A. O. Ackworth, barrister, has been appointed fourth judge of the local Small Cause Court.

Sir Rivers Thompson reached Madras early yesterday morning. He is said to have greatly benefited by the trip.

Owing to Mr. Atkinson's departure for Darjeeling, Mr. E. S. Byrne, Deputy Auditor-General, has been appointed Deputy Accountant-General, Bengal, in place of Mr. O. T. Barrow, who reverts to his substantive appointment as Assistant Accountant-General.

Mr. E. W. Collin, the present Assistant Accountant-General, goes to Mozufferpore as Assistant Magistrate.

SUICIDE OF A MERCHANT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, AUG. 17.

Mr. Washbourn of the firm of Messrs. Balmer, Lawrie & Co., was a passenger from Calcutta by the mail steamer Tibre, and on Thursday morning was found overboard and was seen no more. He had committed suicide in a manner [illegible]

EURASIANS AND DOMICILED EUROPEANS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, AUG. 17.

At a meeting recently convened by Mr. Atkins, of Ahmednagar, and it was resolved to request the Calcutta Defence Association to urge the Secretary of State to amend the law so as to secure to the descendants of Europeans in India the same rights and privileges that Her Majesty's subjects in every part of the British Empire enjoy.

This is a different idea to that bought by the local Eurasian leaders hitherto—that they should urge Government to regard Eurasians as natives.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

FURTHER GERMAN ANNEXATIONS.

LONDON, AUG. 16.

It is positively reported at Madrid that Germany has annexed some of the Caroline Islands in order to obtain labourers for the German colony in New Guinea, and that the Spanish Government has protested.

BERLIN, AUG. 16.

The German press repudiate as obsolete the claims of the Spanish Government to the Caroline Islands.

[*Johnson's Gazetteer* gives the following account of the group of islands, a portion of which have been annexed by Germany:—Caroline Islands or New Philippines (Spanish *Carolinas, Nuevas Filipinas*), an Archipelago of Oceania, between the Philippines, the Mariannes, the Marshall Islands, and New Guinea, extending from 3° 5' to 12° N., and including the Pelew Islands (which, from the character of their inhabitants and the history of their discovery, form part of the Archipelago) extends from W. to E. over a space of 2,000 miles. Area of the group 880 square miles p. (1871) est. at 28,800. They are divided into numerous groups, the western-most of which, the Paloas or Pelew, consists of seven large and many small islands, all of coral formation, flat, and affording no secure anchorage. Next is the group of Yap, the chief island of which is elevated, and its mountains contain the precious metals. E. of Yap is the group egoi, nearly all of which are low coral islands, fertile, and partly inhabited. The other principal groups are called Sinaivine, Lutke, Mortlock, Enderby, and Hogoleu. Ulalan, the eastermost of the group, in 5° 19' N.—163° 6' E., is 24 miles in circumference, and has abundant supplies of water, fruit, and fish. The climate of the Carolines is mild and agreeable. The inhabitants live almost on the produce of their fishing; the greater portion are of the Malay race, and are excellent seamen. The Carolines were discovered by Lazarus Spinhard, De Villalobos in 1543, and they were so named in honour of Charles II. These islands nominally belong to Spain, and form part of the Government of the Philippines, but the Spaniards have no settlement on any of them.]

THE MAHDI'S SUCCESSOR.

CAIRO, AUG. 16.

It is reported that Khalifa Abdulla, the Mahdi's successor, was killed in a riot at Khartoum on the 26th July.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, AUG. 15.

The Bombay mails of the 28th ult. arrived at Brindisi yesterday.

[illegible] MOVEMENTS. [illegible]

[illegible] AUG. 17.

[illegible]. N. Co.'s s. s. [illegible]ombay this morn[illegible]

[illegible]OMBO, AUG. 17.

[illegible] China and Austra[illegible]mbay at 9 p.m. on the

[illegible]D FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, AUG. 15.

[illegible]verpool Cotton market closed dull. Surats [illegible]

[illegible]ir Dholleras 4 11-16
[illegible]nt. Rupee Paper 703
do. 77 9-16
[illegible]cent. Consols for account 100⅛
3½ " Sterling Loan 102
3 " French Rentes 108½
Silver 49
Arrivals.—Normanton and Ruperra.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

(AUGUST 17.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey perfect. *Via* Suez, imperfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, perfect. *Via* Suez, imperfect.

AMERICA.—*Via* Brest, perfect. *Via* Valentia, perfect *Via* Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor perfect.

CHINA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

Cable, Suakim-Perim still intr-rupted.

Bangkok to Saigon still interrupted.

Bonn route still working imperfectly.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SUNDAY NIGHT, August 16.

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MONDAY, August 17.

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An adjourned special general meeting of the Corporation was fixed for yesterday, but it was adjourned for want of a quorum till Saturday next.

The Surat Police Case, resulting in the death of Hormusjee Dosabhoy Malesing in consequence of alleged torture by the police, has entered on another phase, and is to be argued in the High Court. Yesterday Mr. Manekshah Jehangirshah, on behalf of the widow of Malesing, applied to Mr. Justice Nanabhai Haridas and Sir William Wedderburn to call for the record and proceedings in the case and to set aside the order of discharge passed by Mr. F. S. Lely, acting District Magistrate of Surat, whose judgment was published at length in our issue of the 27th ult. Mr. Manekshah argued that the order of discharge was against the weight of the evidence recorded in the case, that the accused policemen should have been committed to take their trial before the Court of Sessions, that the arrest of Malesing was unjustifiable and illegal, and was carried out in an illegal and irregular manner, and that the death of the deceased was the result of violence used towards him by the accused. Their lordships ordered notice to be served on the accused in the case to show cause why they should not be committed for trial under sections 220 and 349 of the Indian Penal Code.

From the Bombay Public Works administration report it appears that the new fortifications at Aden, the cost of which is to be borne partly by the Home and partly by the Indian Government, were in progress during the year. These comprise the reconstruction of the two forts, Tarshyne and Morbat, commanding the entrance to the harbour. The new scheme covers more ground than before, in order to separate the guns; each gun having its magazine close to it, below ground, and with galleries of communication extending all round the [illegible]. Both forts are to be entirely self-contained, [illegible]ample provision for storage of water and [illegible], also bomb-proof covering for the garrison. In Fort Tarshyne the greater part of the rock excavation is completed, and some of the masonry work is in hand. In Fort Morbat a good deal of scarping and ditch work has been got out, also the preliminary work of erecting sheds. Mortar mills and setting up profiles are well advanced. The works will take two years to complete.

The same report states that the construction of the pier and tramway and machinery for the Sub-Marine Mining Defences at Manora, for which a great part of the material had been provided during the previous years, was proceeded with, and the work was completed, and made over for use by the end of the year, including some additions in the way of filling in and levelling the ground round the torpedo buildings, and providing two broad-gauge trollies, and other small additions, which were sanctioned by Government against the savings from the original estimate.

Sir Frederick Roberts took his farewell of Ootacamund on Saturday morning. His Excellency travelled there with Lady Roberts and their family, and were received by all the military and many civilians, with, H. E. the Governor's staff. One company of Madras Infantry, and the Volunteers, with the Lawrence Asylum band, were present. The Commander-in-Chief left his carriage, closely inspected the troops, and expressed his satisfaction with the Volunteers. He said, "I am very glad to see you all, and am sorry to part with you." His Excellency then shook hands with his friends, and there was a general salute and three cheers, in which the Volunteers and spectators joined. His Excellency and family then departed. Captain Hamilton, of his staff, accompanying them. No special dinner party was given at Government House in their honour, in deference to their wishes. A subscription has, however, been started for a piece of plate to be presented to Lady Roberts. They reached Arconum early on Sunday morning, stayed there during the day, and proceeded in the evening to Bombay. His Excellency and family are expected to arrive here this forenoon, and will until the time they proceed on board the mail-steamer to take guests of Captain Hext, Director of the Indian Marine.

It is not impossible, says the *Madras Mail*, that the Duke of Connaught will be appointed to the command in that Presidency. When homeward bound, His Royal Highness predicted Sir Frederick Roberts' promotion, and said it would gratify him to succeed Sir Frederick in Madras.

The same journal discredits the rumour that the opportunity offered by the vacation of the Madras and Bombay Commands by Sir Frederick Roberts and General Hardinge respectively, will be seized to carry out the Simla ideas regarding the severance of Presidential armies from the control of local Governments, on the following grounds:—The reconstruction of the Indian Army was disapproved by Lord Kimberley last year, and although the Government of India returned to the charge, it was discomfited in a curt despatch of two paragraphs. The Indian Army, as now constituted, is constituted in conformity with Act of Parliament, so that before it can be remodelled as rumoured in Bengal, the reconstruction must be approved by the Secretary of State, and then sanctioned by a new Act of Parliament. This cannot possibly be effected before the general election, and if the Liberals return to office in the winter, Lord Kimberley may be expected to adhere to his previous opinions that a change is not necessary. In any case a fresh Commission will be necessary to sift the question anew before any Secretary of State can take it up to Parliament. Lord Randolph Churchill referred to this lately. Consequently, no material changes need be apprehended in Madras, and the successor to Sir Frederick Roberts should be appointed immediately.

A trans-frontier news-letter repeats the story that the Russians recently asked the Amir of Bokhara to let his son accompany their troops, and that the Amir refused. The Czar of Russia, according to the same news-letter, had also written to the Amir, saying that with his leave it was proposed to construct a railway through Bokhara to Quetta and Candahar. After taking counsel of his officers and of the chief merchants of Bokhara, the Amir replied that, although his people had agreed to the construction of a line of telegraph to Bokhara, they objected to the proposed railway, because it would interfere with the profits of their trade. On receiving this answer, the Czar of Russia, says the news-writer, again addressed the Amir of Bokhara, pressing for His Highness's sanction for the line, and asking also for the grant of land for a cantonment on the banks of the Oxus. It has often been supposed that when Russia was prepared to take over Bokhara, she would make some project for a railway the pretext for a quarrel. It seems very much as if something of the kind were being done now.

The announcement of the latest resolution of the Parisians will be received by the world with a mixture of interest and irony. Voltaire's "heart" is to be removed from the National Library to the Panthéon, there to rest not far from the remains of Victor Hugo. It does not often occur to people to think of Voltaire's "heart" but the Parisians been transporting his "head" that would have been different. It seems indeed that the quality of emotion played very little part in Voltaire's life, though he could always be aroused to indignation by political or religious persecution. His friendships were notoriously hollow and insincere; and it is probable that the only occasion in which affection was deeply moved within him was at the close of his long life, when he entered Paris in triumph in his eighty-fourth year. It was kindness and attention that really caused his death. Yet Voltaire is the idol of a large part of the French nation. It is not always remembered that to entitle a man to abiding reverence not only genius is wanted, but character as well.

The *Madras Mail* declares that there never was a Government so badly supplied with information beyond its borders as that of Great Britain of India, and cries for the good old times, [illegible] still speak with [illegible] and grandfathers, on bringing in useful information, were bidden to thrust both hands into a sack of rupees and carry away as many as they could grasp. "Such a system," continues our contemporary, "contrasted painfully with the four rupees now grudgingly counted into the hands of a man who had risked his life to find out what was passing in the enemy's camp. In existing circumstances, however, neither plan would answer. What is now urgently wanted is a certain number of highly intelligent, observant, devoted Mussulmans, paid moderately for their immediate services, but having in view a liberal recompense in the shape of a grant of land with an honorary native title, something better 'understanded of the people' than the C. S. I. or the C. I. E. Major Montgomerie's surveyors have shown what perfect trustfulness may be reposed in native sagacity, loyalty, and endurance. For the purpose under consideration, it would probably be necessary to employ only Mussulmans, of whom any number might be selected by such men as Sir A. C. Lyall or Sir Lepel Griffin. They would go forth disguised as fakirs, pilgrims, and peddlers, and would constitute a counterpoise to the swarm of Russian 'explorers' and others who have been sent to spy into the nakedness of the land."

The Jews of Demnat have again been subjected to cruel persecutions by the Governor of that place, and in consequence strong remonstrances were made to the Sultan of Morocco by the British and Italian Ministers. Thereupon the Governor has been dismissed. The Sultan has arrived at Rabat, and some extraordinary proceedings took place in connection with the visit. A numerous suite accompanied him, and the Sultanic residence there was not large enough to accommodate all. The house of an employé of the British Consul was, therefore, fixed upon, but the occupier declined to withdraw. Moorish soldiers were ordered to take possession of it, which they did, forcibly ejecting the inmates, and carrying its owner to prison.

A memorial, remarkable alike for its wording and for the signatures appended to it, has just been sent from Italy to the Right Hon. Mr. Stansfeld, M. P., offering its respectful sympathy to him upon the death of his wife. It is in the form of a handsome bronze wreath, of oak and ivy leaves, with the inscription, "To Caroline Stansfeld, from the friends of Italy." As the daughter of Mr. W. H. Ashurst and the life-long friend of Mazzini, no less than as the wife of James Stansfeld, Mrs. Stansfeld was trebly entitled to the loving memory and gratitude of Italian Liberals, but the political importance of the offering becomes more manifest by the wording of the memorial which accompanies the wreath. The memorial is, to quote the words of one of the writers, "not the payment of a long-standing debt of gratitude, but the spontaneous manifestation of Italian sympathy and affection towards Mr. Stansfeld." The memorial, which is emblazoned and engrossed on vellum, is signed, among others, by sixty-two deputies of the Italian Parliament. Among the leading Liberals are the ex-Minister, Signor Cairoli, Baron Nicotera, Dr. Agostino Bertani, and Signor Ferrari.

"The Sabbatarians," says a correspondent, "are fighting hard just now in Bristol, and there is but too much cause to fear that, as at Leicester, they will triumph. About six weeks ago an enlightened citizen of the name of Tagart procured an excellent brass band, at considerable expense to himself, to play sacred music for an hour in the open air on Sunday evening during the summer months on Durdham Down, a very favourite resort of the Bristol populace. Thither, therefore, Sunday after Sunday, resort many thousands of respectable, well-conducted persons to enjoy the sunshine and the music. Their behaviour is in every way decorous, and it is an admitted fact that the police-courts have had an easy time of it on Mondays since the band was started. Nevertheless, well-dressed, well-fed Sabbatarianism foams at the mouth, and the town council has passed a vote of censure. Several of the clergy, to their honour be it said, notably Canon Percival, of Oxford, and one or two Nonconformist ministers, have spoken out boldly in favour of the Sunday band and rational enjoyment, as against drunkenness and gloom. But unfortunately the corporation has the right, reserved to it by the Act of Parliament of 1861, which secured Durdham Down as a recreation ground for Bristol, of framing bye-laws for its regulation. This right it has, by a three-fourths majority, determined to enforce, with the result that the Sunday band is likely to be henceforth excluded from the ground."

The French authorities, alarmed at the irregularities which have arisen from the practice of holding large lotteries, have resolved to withdraw their sanction from such institutions for the future. This decision will be rather surprising to those who are aware of the extent to which lotteries have been hitherto patronised by foreign Governments, and the grievances and irregularities which have lately arisen must have been remarkably serious to call for official interference. In France everybody who can afford a frank usually buys a ticket and tries his luck for the "gros lot." Many "castles in the air" will now no doubt be shattered, but all well-balanced minds cannot but approve of the measure which the Minister of the Interior, acting on the advice of the officials of the Criminal Investigation Department of the Prefecture of Police, is resolved to put into force. All the lotteries now in progress, or those for which official authorisation has been obtained beforehand, will not be affected by the new regulation. Nor will departmental or local lotteries, or drawings organised for charitable purposes, come under the ban, which touches only the large affairs, like the "Loterie des Arts Décoratifs," which has been the cause of many heartburnings, disappointments, and complaints during the rather long period of its evolution. Equally stringent are the new rules to be applied to games of chance. A circular sent round to the prefects of departments enjoins upon the authorities to watch most carefully over clubs and cafés in their districts, so as to prevent unlawful games of chance, such as "chemin de fer tournant" or "baraque," from taking place in contravention of the clauses contained in the fifth paragraph of the Criminal Code. Such games are regarded by the authorities as diversified forms of the illegal "roulette," which has long been excommunicated in France. Up to the present time casinos, clubs, and cafés have been tolerably well watched throughout the country, and prefects have been in the habit of forwarding regular reports to Paris, giving full descriptions of suspicious strangers who play, of persons who have cheated, and of dishonest casino proprietors or their assistants.

MILCH-CATTLE STABLES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—In the *Bombay Gazette* of the 15th instant, a letter appeared under the above heading. The writer on being interrogated states as follows:—

1st. That he does not know of any single place in Bombay in which stable litter has been used for feeding buffaloes.

2nd. He has seen rubbish of this nature carried into one stable.

3rd. That he has no evidence of a definite nature to support the statements he has made, and that his object in writing was to put the authorities on the alert "to procure evidence and conviction."

The authorities are now, and always have been, on the alert in regard to this important matter. A man was a few days since prosecuted for this serious offence by the Health Department, convicted by one of the Presidency Magistrates, and fined *one* rupee.—Yours, &c.,

D. C. DAVIDSON,
Acting Health Officer.

Municipality of Bombay, Health Department, Bombay, Aug. 17.

THE CATLEY CASE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I am glad to see that your spirited appeal to the public on behalf of the family of Thomas Catley has been well responded to, and I hope that the Executive Government will exercise its highest privilege in this case.

But the case itself is only an instance of the very imperfect state of the law of revision; and poor Thomas Catley will not have suffered in vain if the attention of the public and the Legislature is efficiently drawn to the subject.

Thomas Catley, as all your readers know, was tried by a competent court near the scene of his offence, and found guilty. The court had then to fix upon a punishment; and with offences and men of the class before it that is a very difficult task. The choice lies only between fine, simple imprisonment, or rigorous imprisonment, that is, with hard labour. If you fine a man of Catley's class (a superior mechanic hitherto of good character) heavily, you are likely to plunge him into debt; and the effect of the punishment extends over a long time and often over innocent persons. If you fine him lightly, he is sometimes apt to treat the proceeding as a sort of license to offend again on the same terms. Imprisonment with hard labour is, I regret to say, very apt to be, in the case of such a man, the first step to crime and ruin. I have tried many such cases myself and know their difficulty; and in my judgment the Deputy Commissioner who tried Catley showed great discrimination and good sense. He marked his sense of the offence by a punishment quite sufficient for deterrent purposes; and he took particular pains to leave to the unfortunate offender the means of recovering his livelihood and reputation.

It does not appear that any person concerned was dissatisfied with the proceedings of the Deputy Commissioner, nor that the local Government disapproved of them. Catley served his term out, and his late employers humanely adopted the advice of the Deputy Commissioner, and re-employed him—a sudder and a wiser man, no doubt, the sadder, poor fellow, if, as we are told, the death of his child was indirectly caused by his misfortune or fault. Whichever it was, he had, he thought, paid for it, and had now a fresh start on a fair course; when, like a bolt out of the blue, down came the call for proceedings in revision. Justice was not done with Catley, and was now to play with him at "Heads I win, and tails you lose." For in no case could he gain by the revision. His month's imprisonment was over and past recall; his character had evidently not suffered materially; he was sure to have to pay counsel, and was liable, as we have seen, to be practically tried and punished a second time for the same offence—a thing which we used to think impossible under English law—and this because two learned judges sitting many hundred miles from the scene of the offence, reading the evidence off a printed book or fair copy, and not, so far as we know, practically acquainted with railway affairs, cannot accept the opinion of qualified persons on the spot as to the amount of discipline necessary to make engine-drivers keep a sharp look-out at night.

It is not a pleasant spectacle to see the justice of an empire playing with a poor mechanic as a cat plays with a mouse. But it will always be possible until the "power of revision" is in some way limited. This would probably be best done by allowing courts of revision to enhance sentences only on the motion of the Advocate-General, leaving their powers of mercy untouched. We use the courts to keep the Executive power within the law, and we use the Executive power to temper the severity, and sometimes to remedy the errors, of the courts. This can only be done now by a pardon; but how much better it would have been if the Government concerned could have prevented the whole business of retrial when, as often, the court was confined to the record, even in respect of material facts which have occurred since the record was made! For when the question of enhancement of sentence was before the court it was certainly material that the sentence had already been enhanced in a manner not contemplated by the court of first instance, which certainly never wanted to kill Catley's daughter.

Yet the High Court—at any rate Mr. Justice Nanabhai Haridas—held that this could not be discussed as "not on the record." Really one may bandage the eyes of justice a little too tight. The worst of the matter is that it is likely to keep alive, especially amongst the railway employés, the unpleasant feelings of which we had too much in Lord Ripon's time, and which have been very unnecessarily and foolishly stirred up again lately. I enclose my contribution to the Catley Fund; but I don't think it a matter that can be mended with money, nor that we have done our whole duty to our neighbour and ourselves in it when we have paid our subscriptions.

AN OLD RAILWAY MAGISTRATE.

THE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF HINDU MINORS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—The decision given by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pinhey in the suit filed by Mr. Narayen Shikajee on behalf of the infant Narayen, against the Hon'ble Rao Saheb Vishwanath Narayen Mandlik, Mr. Shamrao Vithul and Damodar Narayen, will deter many persons from representing to courts in India the rights of Hindu minors.

Mr. Justice Pinhey decided that a minor could not claim a share in the property absolutely given to his father by his grandfather under a will, and therefore his lordship gave a decree for the defendant Damodar Narayen, with costs. The executors having paid the money to Damodar, a few days before the hearing of the suit left Bombay, and his whereabouts were not known, and the suit was proceeded with *ex-parte*. Now, I ask, who will maintain the infant plaintiff? If such a decision be allowed to pass unaltered, Hindu fathers addicted to irregular habits will go abroad with the money entrusted to them, and their children will throw themselves on the mercy of the world, especially when they have no mothers or near relations. I therefore say that if there is no such law as will empower courts in India to make provision for infants out of the property of their fathers under such circumstances, the people should make a representation to the Government on the subject, and have a law enacted and the rights of infants protected.

Bombay, Aug. 14. D. D. P.

LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT AT BANDORA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—An account of a little experience which I had yesterday will help to form a judgment as to the fitness of the classes, even in the neighbourhood of the Presidency town, who aspire to govern themselves.

The chairman of the Bandora Ratepayers Association invited the electors to a meeting at a certain address at 10-30 a.m. I attended, although I am not sure that I am considered fit to be entrusted with a vote on the ground that I did consider me fit to serve as a Commissioner for some years, and I served the Municipality well, but not quite to the satisfaction of one of Mr. Shepherd's—the Commissioner N. D.—clerks, who thought that my attendances at meetings were insufficient. They did not average more than about one meeting a week, I must admit. As the Commissioner signed the letter I received, I suppose I should hold him officially responsible for it. But to return to the meeting. When I presided the place at 10-30, there were but a very few people there, but they were dropping in by ones, twos, and threes, and after a little time I suggested to the chairman, Mr. Miguel C. Pereira, that the hour to commence the meeting had passed. At eleven o'clock—by then there were sixty to eighty persons present—I spoke to him again, and upon being told that the convenience of people who had been invited "—meaning those who had not come, not those who had—"must be considered," I walked out.

Whether any meeting was held, or what transpired, I do not know; but I do know that I have exceedingly sorry to entrust any of my affairs into the hands of people whose notions of business and punctuality are so lax, and who have so little independence of character that they dare not commence proceedings because some supposed "bigwig" had not turned up to time.

Exeter Hall ideas have been making rapid progress lately; but what shall we say of the fitness for self-government of people who think of public business are like those I have described?—Yours, &c.

RICHARD ROBERTS.

Advice to Mothers.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to the taste, it produces natural quiet by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Wholesale by the Medicine Drug Company, Limited, 8, Farringdon Road, London.

ARRIVAL OF THE OVERLAND MAILS OF THE 31ST JULY.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Teheran, Captain W. J. Nantes, arrived in Bombay harbour at 7 o'clock yesterday evening, with the overland mails of the 31st July. The following is the list of passengers:—

From London.

Mr W Sanaford — Miss Snowden
Miss Crackwell — Mr Wais
Mr A Houston — Mrs Graves, child and infant
Mr Davison — Major F Barrow
Mr Leach
Mr J Rogers

From Venice.

Mr E McCullem — Revd W G Peele
Mr Ashburner — Mr A Smith

From Brindisi.

Mr Dickson — Mr Birch
Mr and Mrs Waddington — Mr F B Hanna
Miss Waddington — Mr W B Lafore
Mr A Momes — Mr R Sims
Mr and Mrs Kensington — Mr W J Holland
Major F H Jackson — Mr Norfor

From Suez.—Mr Blackburne.

From Aden.

Mr C Reed — Mr R E S Showell
Surgn O Worle — Mr A S Heralum

HEADS OF INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM 25TH TO 31ST JULY, INCLUSIVE.)

The Queen, accompanied by Prince and Princess Henry of Battenberg, drove through Cowes and Newport on Tuesday, and witnessed the decorations and illuminations in honour of the Royal Wedding.

Notification was made in Friday's *Gazette* that Her Majesty has conferred the Order of the Garter on Prince Henry of Battenberg, who will henceforth be styled His Royal Highness.

The Prince and Princess of Wales left London on Monday afternoon on a visit to the Duke of Richmond during the Goodwood Races.

The Light Cavalry Camel Corps from Egypt were inspected on Friday at Portsmouth by the Duke of Cambridge. The Prince and Princess of Wales were present.

In the House of Lords on Friday Lord Bramwell proposed amendments to the Waterworks Clauses Act Amendment Bill, which he condemned as being an unjust measure, but his propositions were negatived. The Housing Bill was read a third time and passed. On Monday, the Medical Relief Disqualification Removal Bill was read a first time and Lord Milltown gave notice of the second reading for Thursday. Earl Granville objected to the noble lord undertaking the conduct of the Bill, and a controversy followed as to the management of the Bill in that House, and finally the second reading was fixed for Tuesday. On Tuesday Lord Denman moved the second reading of a Woman's Suffrage Bill, but the previous question was carried and the Bill dropped. On Tuesday Lord Milltown moved the second reading of the Medical Relief Disqualification Removal Bill. Earl Granville supported the Bill, as did also Lord Salisbury, and the motion was agreed to. Last night the second reading of the Copyhold Enfranchisement Bill was moved by Lord Hobhouse, but was objected to by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Bramwell, and other peers as being unnecessary and unable to pass this session, and in the end the motion was rejected by 46 to 14. The Medical Relief Disqualification Removal Bill passed through Committee, a proposal to limit the operation of the measure to two years being overruled.

In the House of Commons on Friday a long discussion arose on a motion of Mr. O'Brien for an inquiry into the conduct of one of the Sub-Commissioners under the Irish Land Act, but the motion was negatived by 132 to 32. Other topics underwent discussion, and the Irish votes were then proceeded with in Committee of Supply. On Monday the Army Estimates were considered in Committee. The clauses in Committee on the Parliamentary Election (Returning Officers) Bill occupied considerable time, and the House did not rise until 20 minutes past 3 o'clock. On Tuesday Mr. Callan called attention to a recent speech of Mr. John Bright, imputing to Irish members disloyalty to the Crown and sympathy with murderers, and moved that the words complained of be expunged from the records of the House, but the motion was negatived by 154 to 23. On Wednesday the Estimates were proceeded with and were all passed. In answer to a question, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that the participation of Paris, Berlin, and Frankfort in the issue of the Egyptian Loan had been governed by international considerations. On the Report of Supply there arose incidental discussions, but eventually the Report was received.

Sir H. Maine being unable, from the state of his health, to enter upon the duties of Permanent Under-Secretary for the Home Department, Mr. Godfrey Lushington has been appointed to the post, and Mr. E. L. Pemberton, M.P., Legal Assistant Under Secretary.

A dinner in honour of Earl Spencer was given on Friday at the Westminster Palace Hotel. Lord Harington presided, and the other speakers were Lord Spencer and Mr. John Bright.

The Lord Mayor's banquet in honour of Her Majesty's Ministers was attended on Wednesday by the Marquis of Salisbury and several other members of the Cabinet.

Sir F. Roberts will, it is understood, succeed Sir D. Stewart as Commander-in-Chief in India.

Sir Moses Montefiore, who had attained the age of 100 years and nine months, died on Tuesday at his house at East Cliff, Ramsgate.

The cricket match between Kent and Surrey was won on Friday by the latter county by one wicket. The match between Notts and Gloucestershire was drawn. The match between Lancashire and Sussex ended on Tuesday in a victory for the first-named county by 154 runs. The match between Gloucestershire and Yorkshire was abandoned.

Mr. Farquharson, one of the joint managers of the Munster Bank, has absconded from Dublin and a warrant for his arrest has been issued.

Obituary.—Sir Moses Montefiore; Maj-Gen C. W. Alder, Bom. Retd.; Maj-Gen. H. T. Bartlett, Ben. Ret.; the Hon. Jas. A. Erskine, K.S.F.; Dowager Countess of Chesterfield; Lady Torphichen; Lady Georgiana Peel.

The Khedive on Tuesday opened the session of the Chamber of Notables at Cairo, and in a brief speech declared the necessity for the new loan, to which their sanction was invited.

The death of the Mahdi is now generally accepted as a fact, other witnesses of the funeral having presented themselves.

No further news has been received from the Afghan frontier, but according to the semi-official *Journal* of St. Petersburg the negotiations are still proceeding. It is stated that M. de Giers is about to take a six weeks' holiday, from which it is inferred that there is no early prospect of a settlement being arrived at.

The German Emperor has become stronger since his arrival at Gastein, but he is still unable to take much exercise, and his medical advisers have forbidden his contemplated visit to the Empress of Australia at Ischl.

A heated debate arose on Tuesday in the French Chamber on M. Ferry's vindication of the colonial policy of his Government, which was denounced by the extreme Republicans and Bonapartists as having been injurious to the country. Yesterday the debate was resumed, and, after a speech from M. Clemenceau in opposition to colonial warfare, the Madagascar credit was voted by 291 to 142.

In a secret Consistory held at the Vatican on Monday, Pope Leo XIII. delivered an allocution on the religious condition of France, Italy, and Germany, and afterwards he created six new Cardinals, including Dr. Moran, Archbishop of Sydney.

A draft convention is being prepared at Rome, with the object of giving Italy the same privileges as those possessed by Great Britain in the Red Sea.

The proposition for placing the remains of General Grant in a tomb in the Central Park, in New York, meets with much disfavour in other parts of the United States, it being generally considered that the place of interment should be Washington.

The widow of General Grant has received telegrams of condolence from Queen Victoria and the Prince of Wales.

Sir C. Warren has returned to Vryburg, where, in replying to a complimentary address from the inhabitants, he stated that he could enter on the discharge of his civil functions as Special Commissioner, further military operations being unnecessary in Bechuanaland.

The Transvaal Government is bankrupt, being unable to meet the demands upon the treasury, and it has declared a suspension of all payments on public account.

THE FAMILY OF THOMAS CATLEY.

	Rs.
Amount already acknowledged	1,065
F. G. Lynde, B. B. and C. I. Railway..	5
C. T. Elton	5
An Old Railway Magistrate	50
Thomas Owen	3
J. A. S. K.	5
A. Baker	5
Balance of amount subscribed by the Byculla Engine-drivers to Drivers' Petition Fund	18
W. Larner Nicker, B.B. and C. I. R....	5
F. W. Stevens	5
S. N. Fox	5
G. E. F.	5
C. E. F.	10
H. C. Kirkpatrick	5
James Hill	10
A. Thomson, G. I. P. Railway	10
T. E. Guyler, do.	5
E. Deasey, do.	5
R. Cooper, do.	5
A. Paterson, do.	5
W. H. Daw, do.	5
A. Sawyers, do.	5
E. Greenshields, do.	5
W. H. Herbert, do.	5
A. B. Duggan, do.	5
A. C. Scott, do.	5
T. Irving, do.	5
Pestonji Byramji, do.	5
W. Cummins, do.	5
J. F. Grew, do.	3
F. Burdett, do.	3
F. Crawshaw, do.	2
M. Halpin, do.	2
Bomanjibotabhoy, do.	1
J. Larkin, do.	1
Hormusji Dhunjibhoy, do.	1
Total ..	1,289

*** Contributions addressed to either of the Bombay papers will be acknowledged by both simultaneously. But the purpose of the Fund has now been fully met.

BYCULLA SCHOOL HOSPITAL FUND.

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Departure of the English mail, 5 p.m.
Band, Marine Battalion, Apollo-bunder, 6 p.m.

Vessels arrived.—The following vessels arrived yesterday:—Victory (s), from Glasgow; Lhina (s), Marseilles; Medusa (s), Calcutta; and Teheran (s), London.

Vessels sailed.—The following vessels sailed yesterday:—Columbian (s), for Jeddah; and Annie Stafford, Calcutta.

Music at the Apollo-bunder.—The following programme of music will be played by the band of the Marine Battalion at the Apollo-bunder this evening, at 6 (weather permitting):—

Overture	Poet and Peasant ..... Suppe.
Valse	Fairy Visions ..... Coote.
Grand Selection ..	Attilla ..... Verdi.
Vocal Valse	Dream Faces ..... Meissler.
Russian Dance.....	Pas des Patineurs ....Godfray.

God save the Queen.

Prince's Dock.—The s.s. Columbian entered, and the s.s Lilburn Tower left, the dock on Sunday; the s.s. Khalif, Nedjed, and Victory entered, and the s.s. Columbian left, it yesterday.

House-trespass and Attempted Theft.—Yellappa Veerappa, of no fixed place of residence, was yesterday convicted by Mr. P. Ryan of trespassing in the house of Mr. Merwanjee Nusserwanjee, a merchant, at Grant-road, with intent to commit theft from a box containing gold embroidery and silk wearing apparel to the value of Rs. 1,978, on the night of the 13th inst. The prisoner concealed himself in the premises during the evening, and when he supposed all the members of the family were asleep, he removed the box and was endeavouring to break it open, when his proceedings were interrupted by the complainant. On an attempt being made to seize him, he produced a knife, and attempted to stab the complainant; but he was seized, and handed over to the police. He was sentenced to two years' rigorous impris

NOTICES.

MUSIC.

AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT IN THE PROGRESS OF CIVILIZATION.

THOUGH MUSIC has hitherto been comparatively neglected there is now sufficient evidence that the natural genius of the people is being rewarded by a careful cultivation of it. The most recent improvements in the manufacture of Pianos capable of producing the grandest and most sympathetic effects, coupled with the successful cultivation of the human voice and instruction in Vocal Music in all elementary schools, have tended greatly to remove the erroneous idea that Music is not to be reckoned among the necessary subjects of the education of children and that it is an unimportant element in civilization. Parents wishing to claim a place for their little ones in the race of progress should by all means endow their children with this most essential accomplishment demanded by society. Music is the mainspring of the heart; it regulates the better parts of our nature; it is reckoned as the source from which the soul rises above the earth. The magic power of Music is intense; it exercises a soft refining influence; it inspires the soul with comfort and in household life it contributes greatly to the increase of domestic happiness and contentment. It helps to wean young men from the more vicious and debasing pleasures and indulgences and it associates their innocent amusement with their duties.

The man that hath no music in himself
Is fit for treasons, stratagems and spoils.—
Shakspeare.

Vocal Music has without doubt made rapid strides. Instrumental Music till very lately had serious impediments to its general introduction, the reason being the prohibitive prices that were charged for Pianos of very inferior manufacture. Competition has been so keen of late years that not only have the prices been brought down to a minimum; but by the introduction of the Hire Purchase-system, now so universally popular, a would-be purchaser by paying the ordinary hire of a first-class instrument, becomes its owner in the period of one, two or three years, thus placing within the reach of all an instrument of unquestionable manufacture. This arrangement is specially suited to families of ordinary means and gives them an opportunity of educating their children for a leading place in the society of the future. "What instrument shall we buy?" is a question often asked by many anxious parents and as frequently answered—"A cheap instrument will do as a beginning." This is a serious mistake to start with. Cheap instruments cannot be expected to possess anything like purity of tone so essential to a beginner and as the ear is most sensible to refined melody it is ruinous to spoil the future of a child by giving it a harsh and rude metallic sounding Piano. Far safer is it to secure a good instrument at a moderate price than a bad one at *any* price. In choosing a Piano the following essentials should be looked for:—Equality of power; volume of tone; capacity for variety of effect and expression; flexibility of touch; smoothness of action; durability. Two of the best known manufacturers in the world are *John Brinsmead and Sons*, of London, and *Shiedmayer, and Soehne*, of Stuttgart. The improvement of the Pianoforte has within recent times proceeded *a pas de géant*, though the march of progress prove ever so swift these firms may always be noticed as the advance guards. The Brinsmead have the following improvements protected by numerous patents throughout the world:—Touch is elastic: all gradations from the most subdued whisper to the greatest fortissimo passage can be accomplished with delightful effect; the entire frame is continuous throughout; they have no dangerously numerous glueings; the tuning is now rendered easier and more lasting than was hitherto possible; the sustaining pedal enables the performer to influence the notes on the organ principal. These results have been obtained, not by a lucky speculation but by a long and thoughtful experiments and their successes are represented by diplomas of honour awarded by the highest musical authorities in the world. The *Schiedmayer and Soehne's* Pianos have gained a wide reputation. This firm has been steadily improving itself during the century of its existence by inventions and improvements. The present musical and mechanical qualities have been severely tested at the various Continental Exhibitions but the instruments have been and are still able to maintain the reputation of their manufacture, the position gained by long and arduous study and through the awards given by the jury of experts notwithstanding the immense number exhibited by other large manufacturers. These Pianofortes are not introduced as a startling novelty, to have only a transient existence, but they are intended to do credit to the firm and to obtain popularity amongst all classes. The leading musicians in the world and amongst them the *masters* of the Pianoforte the Abbe Franz Listz, Dr. Hanz Bulow, Rubenstein, Thalberg, Brahm, Marie Krebsat and others have acknowledged publicly the important advantages of the *Schiedmayer and Soehne's* Instruments. Semigrand Pianos of this firm's manufacture are used at the Promenade Concerts at Covent Garden,—the greatest Theatre in England—which are visited every night by thousands; the greatest pianists who play there have always shown a decided preference for these instruments above all others. Leonhard Emil Bach Hof—Pianist, writes:—"I had the pleasure of playing at these concerts on one of Schiedmayer and Soehne's Semi-grand Pianos with an accompaniment of a full orchestra consisting of 100 members. The sweet, rich and powerful sound of the instrument had the greatest effect. The powerful sound of these instruments is like a powerful orchestra, and similarly the pianissimo capabilities of these excellent instruments produce a special charm." Within the last three years MARCKS & Co., Limited, of Bombay the Agents of Messrs. Schiedmayer and Soehne have been able to dispose of over 300 instruments—which fact alone proves a great deal to the popularity gained.

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